

or otherwise copy the trust agreement for their own records and research. This is due to the fact that banks sell trusts and they wish to be aware of any new developments in the field. Since the trust agreement explicitly relates to property in which you have an interest, you may not desire your trust agreement to be on public record. Generally, most bank employees use little, if any, discretion in discussing the affairs of an account. It is the rare bank staff that has been properly trained to respect the privacy and intimate dealings of its customers, large and small. Due to these common practices, we recommend that if you can resist publishing your affairs in a bank's records, that you avoid it with all possible strength. Banks do not need your trust agreement nor a copy of your trust agreement to open a trust account. They do need clear authorization to open an account in a fictional name, but this can be provided by a notarized statement through the trustees of the trust or through reference to a public recordation of the trust, if this has already been accomplished. As a last resort, you would offer your trust agreement to open the account. However, we would caution you that there

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